Great Writing 4 - Week 11 Homework

# Unit 3 Activity 1 Essay 12 Post-Reading

1. What two subjects does the writer compare in this essay

The two subjects that the writer compares in this essay are the United States and Brazil.

2. What method of organization does the writer use – point-by-point or block?

The method of organization the writer uses is the point-by-point method.

3. What is the hook for this essay? Write it here.

All countries in the world are unique.

4. Underline the thesis statement. Is the thesis restated in the conclusion (Paragraph 5)? If yes, underline the sentence in the conclusion that restates the thesis.

The thesis statement: On the contrary, they share many similarities.

Yes, it is restated in the conclusion.

The sentence that restates the thesis: Although Brazil and the United States are unique countries, there are remarkable similarities in their size, ethnic diversity, and personal values.

5. In Paragraph 2, the author writes about the ways in which size affects Brazil and the United States. In the following chart, list the supporting information the writer uses.

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| **The Effects of Size** | |
| **Brazil** | **United States** |
| **a**. Brazil covers almost half of the South America continent. | **a**. Takes up a significant portion of its continent(North America)  . |
| **b**. Few Brazilians have traveled extensively in their country. | **b**. Most Americans have visited few of the 50 states. |
| **c**. Weather varies greatly from one area to the other. | **c**. The United States has a wide range of climates. |

6. Reread the concluding paragraph of “Not as Different as One Might Think”. Does the writer offer a suggestion, an opinion, or a prediction? An opinion. Write the concuding sentence here.

Nevertheless, it is important to remember that people as a whole have more in common than they generally think they do.

# Unit 3 Activity 2 Outlining Practice

**Title**: Not as Different as One Would Think

1. Introduction (Paragraph 1)  
   A. Hook: ...

B. Connecting information: …

C. Thesis statement: On the contrary, they share many similarities.

1. Body

A. Paragraph 2 (Similarity 1) topic sentence: One important similarity is their size.

1. Brazil’s characteristics
   1. Size: covers almost half of the South America.
   2. Travel: …
   3. Climate: Weather varies greatly from one area to the other.
2. The United States’ characteristics
   1. Takes up a significant portion of its continent(North America)
   2. .
   3. Travel: Most Americans have visited few of the 50 states.
   4. Climate: …

B. Paragraph 3 (Similarity 2) topic sentence: ...

1. Brazil
   1. Colonized by Europeans(Colonists from Europe).
   2. …
   3. With the indigenous people.(“Melting pot” of immigrants and native people)
2. The United States
   1. …
   2. …
   3. …
   4. Asia
   5. South America

C. Paragraph 4 (Similarity 3) topic sentence: Finally, individualism is an important value for both Brazilians and Americans.

1. Brazil’s belief in freedom: Citizens believe they could do anything that does not hurt others.
2. The United States’ belief in freedom: Freedom is the highest value in the United States.
3. Conclusion (Paragraph 5)

A. Restated thesis: Although Brazil and the United States are unique countries, there are remarkable similarities in their size, ethnic diversity, and personal values.

B. Opinion: ...

# Clustering Map

Don’t share orbits

Cratery

Rocky

Asteroid

Planet

Share orbits

Diameters

Sphere

Masses

Orbit difference

Size difference

Shape difference